(b) During the calendar years 1985 to 1987, a total of 38 industrial licences were issued for setting up of indusx tries in Bihar. These licences. have been granted for taking up manufacture of items pertaining to metallurgical Industries, Electrical Equipment, Transportation, Industrial Machiney Earth Moving Machinery, Industrial Instruments, Chemicals, Textiles, Glass, Ceramics, Paper, Timber Products etc, 16 of these 38 licences are for 'Carry-on Business' of their under-takngs.

(c) Industrial licences/letters of Intent are issued against applications received from the entrepreneurs. It te, therefore, not feasible to indicate these details.

Automobile policy

654. SHRl DINKARRAO GOVINDRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have for-, mulated a new automobile policy; and

(b) if so, what are the details there, of?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNA. CHALAM): (a) and (b) The matter is still under the consideration of the Government.

Self sufficiency in Oil

655. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that India is yet far from achieving self-sufficien. c_v in oil and if so, the reasons therefor:

(b) whether Government have drawn any guidelines for the function ing of various foreign companies in the field of oil in India; if so, the details thereof; and

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(c) what are the various areas in which the above foreign companies can engage Indian companies and thef measures being taken by Government to help in this cooperation?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI RAFIQUB ALAM): (a) The self-sufficiency in crude oil at present is about 66 per cent because of higher growth in tha consumption of oil than production.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) No restrictions have been placed on a foreign companies for engaging Indian Companies in respect of the contracts awarded by ONGC and OIL.

New projects undertaken by ONGC

656. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleas, ed to state:

(a) whether it-is a fact that ONGC has been expanding its operations in a big way and if so, the details thereof;

(b) what are the details of various new projects being undertaken by the ONGC including location of each pro ject and the benefits arising out of it;

(c) what are the incentives beingoffered to various national, non-resi.dent and foreign companies to helpIndia's search for oil, including tax. benefits, if any; and

(d) what are the infrastructural facilities being offered to the above companies?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM); (a) Yes, Sir. ONGC has stepped up its exploration, exploita. tion and development activities during VII plan period as detailed in the enclosed Statement-I (See below).

(b) The new major projects are being undertaken by ONGC in different